

# Editorial

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### Dear readers and Authors,



I am pleased to bring you volume 4, issue 4 of Pharmacognosy Communications. With this issue, Pharmacognosy Communications has reached 3.5 years of publication. Our manuscript submission numbers continue to increase steadily with every

issue and we aim to continue to publish interesting, well written articles of high quality. Whilst, we have an increasing number of submissions, the editorial board and the publishers aim to maintain a rapid review process and rapid publication without lessening the quality of our publications. We are justifiably proud that we are generally able to process a manuscript through the initial editorial review process and through each review or re-review step within a couple of weeks for each phase. The outcome of this is that Pharmacognosy Communications is able to provide rapid decisions and notifications about your valuable results. We aim to maintain this rapid processing as our submission numbers increase. We also aim to ensure that Pharmacognosy Communications is a highly cited and respected journal in the field of pharmacognosy and medicinal plant research. If a previously published Pharmacognosy Communications article illustrates a point in your manuscript, then it would be beneficial for the journals ranking for it be cited instead of, or in

addition to alternative citations from other sources. A high citation rating would help provide Pharmacognosy Communications with a high impact factor.

In this issue we present 8 original research reports examining the pharmacognosy of several important medicinal plants including *Flemingia vestita*, *Ocimum basilicum*, *Kigelia africana* (sausage tree) *Leucas martinicensis*, *Butea monosperma*, and *Tasmannia stipitata* (Dorrigo pepper). Our regular features are also continued in this issue. The Janus Corner continues, with short notifications of interest to readers of Pharmacognosy Communications. I encourage all readers to get involved with this section by sending in short notifications of work that may be of interest to your fellow readers, book reviews and letters to the editor. Two more high quality medicinal plant images are also included in this issue and a listing of upcoming conferences and meetings is also included. I encourage any conference organizers who would like to publicise their event to contact me with details so they can be included in future upcoming events sections of this journal. I look forward to bringing you the next issue of Pharmacognosy Communications. Keep submitting your quality research manuscripts and reviews and consider becoming involved/submitting to the other sections (such as the Dept Review, Janus Corner etc) of the journal also. On behalf of myself and the editorial board, we look forward to bringing you the next issue of Pharmacognosy Communications in 3 months time.

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